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On the Needs of the Field—R S Tanner, B F Dargan, Peter Horne, W M Dean, J C Covington.

On Obituary—B J Sturdivant, J D Rivers, S N Davidson, G R Chambers, James Horne.

On Place—Frank Hailey, T C Dunlap, R C Cox, P A Davis, S M Hubbard.

On Moderator's Address—J J Hines, C C Horne, Peter Horne.

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J C Collins _____ "
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I S A Hilliard, Wadesboro "
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W B Pratt, Morven, " " 1,
B. J, Sturdivant, Wads'boro " A,
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N L Crump, Norwood "
J F Davis, Monroe, route 1, "
R Diggs, route 1, Pee Dee, "
James Diggs, route 1, Lilesville, "
J R Faison, Wadesboro "
L V Gaddy, route 1, Polkton "
E H Horne, Marshville, (route 6) "
W H Horne, route 1, Morven "
W H Little, Pee Dee "
R L Michael, Peachland, route 3, "
W C McRae, Pee Dee "
P P Pegues, McFarlan "
J T Ratliff, route A, Wadesboro "
B B Sturdivant, Polkton "
W H Staton, " "
H D Tillman, Wadesboro, Rt. 1, "
H Perry, Monroe "
P T Dixon, Florence, S C
J C Covington Red Springs "
J. T. Williams, Rockingham "
T C Dunlap, Shankle "

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L R cox, Lilesville "
J D Dunlap, Laurinburg "
Walter Rivers, Wingate "
H c Carpenter, Norwood "
c c Gatewood, Monroe "
H H Henry, Raleigh "
W A Kersey, Ruby, S.C.
Louis Lilly, Shankle "
D A McLendon "
J D McIntosh "
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W.M.Redfern, Marshville " " 6,
H L Little, Polkton "
S S Sturdivant, Polkton "
Monroe Wall, Norwood "
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C H Waddell, Morven " " 2.
willie Diggs, Lilesville
R Blakney
J H Spencer, Chesterfield, S. C., route 2, box 30

W B Bennett, McFarlan, route 1 "
G W Byrd, Raleigh "
M c conrad, McFarlan, " 1, "
Green Crowder, Peachland " 3, "
F c Chavis, McFarlan "
S S Bennett, Wadesboro "
R c Allen, Marshville Route 1 "
E J Gaddy, Wadesboro "
N H Huntley, Pee Dee "
Thomas Huntley "
M D Kizer, Marshville "
C w Long, Lilesville "
H Medlin, Peachland "
J H Martin, Wadesboro "
S G Ratliff, Morven, (route 2) "
N H Redfern, "
J Smith, Laurinburg "
W T Thomas, Monroe "
H B Sturdivant, Morven route 1 "
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walter Henry, wadesboro, route A, "
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Bethel—G A Richardson, Norwood, N C
Brown Creek—C R Smith_____Polkton, N C, Route 1
Cedar Creek—J F Ratliff, Chesterfield,S.C. " 1
Chambers Grove—John Gaddy, Marshville " " 3
Chilson Grove—Mrs Sallie Diggs, Lilesville "
Cool Springs—Miss Bessie Smith, Morven, " " 1
Deep Creek—J P Huntley, Peachland " " 3
Ebenezer—G W Crowder, Wadesboro "
Elizabeth M—J Q Robinson, Monroe "
Elizabeth P D—Mrs E A Pratt, Pee Dee " 1
Flat Rock—J P Parsons .Wadesboro " " A
Fletcher's Grove—H H Thompson,Laurinburg "
Flint Ridge—O L Tanner, Marshville " " 3
Flint Ridge W—Mrs Maggie Clyburn, Monroe "
Friendship—W C Miles, E Fairley Av., " "
Gallilee—J V Kendall, Albemarle " " 6
Green Hill—M P Phillips, Wadesboro " " A
Long Pine—S A Covington, Ruby,S.C. " 1
Madison Grove—A L Leak, Wadesboro " " A
Meltonsville—E S Chambers, Marshville " " 3
McLain Grove—David Ratliff, McFarlan " " 1
Mt. Zion—Mrs Hattie Jones, Polkton "
Mt. Moriah—M D Rivers, Marshville " " 1
New Zion—H Medlin, Peachland "
New Grove—Please Sturdivant, Peachland " " 1
Nicy Grove—G W Ashcraft, Monroe " " 3
Poplar Springs—W E Davis, Polkton " " 2
Olive Branch—J D Parker, Marshville " " 4
Pleasant Hill—John Cason, Morven " " 1
Poplar Hill—Clide Gaddy, Polkton " 1
Parsons Grove—A D Byrd, Lilesville " 2
Ramah Grove—W M Little, Morven "
Red Level—Miss Ollar Perry, Matthews " 26
Rockford E—S Clinton, Wadesboro, "
Rockford W—W M Dean, Polkton, " 1
Sandy Ridge—M P Waring, Morven " 2
Saron—R B McCoy, Polkton "
Shankle Grove—A D Davis, Norwood "
St. Paul_S P White, 301 W Stonewall St., Charlotte,N.C.
Timmonsville__R T Burch, Route 1, Ruby, S. C.
White Oak__L H Diggs, Route 1, Morven, N. C.

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Churches and Delegates

Bethel--G A Richardson
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Chambers Grove--T C Chambers, J C Collins
Chilson Grove--George Pratt, J D Diggs
Cool Spring--By letter
Deep Creek--B F Dargan
Ebenezer--G W Crowder, M P McGregor
Ellzabeth M--W M Nivens, J Q Kobinson
Elizabeth P D--B B Bennett
Flat Rock--J P Parsons, Arthur Rorie
Fletcher's Grove--H H Thompson
Flint Ridge--O L Tanner, G W White
Flint Ridge--W Thomas Clarriburn, W H Station
Frendship--W C Miles
Gallilee--P A Davis, R M Lotharp
Green Hill--Rev B J Sturdivant, J·M Myers
Long Pine--L S Ledbetter, H F Davidson
Madison Grove--Rev J F Davis, J C Cason,G W Baucum
Meltonsville—C R Chambers
McLain Grove—J H Spencer, J F Redfearn
Mt. Zion—S M Hubbard, F S Sturdivant
Mt. Moriah--J D Rivers
New Zion—C C Horne, Fairly Winfield
New Grove—Please Sturdivant, M J Jackson
Nicy Grove--R A Hamilton, John Crowder
Olive Branch—G R Chambers
Poplar Spring—W E Davis, W H Parker
Poplar Hill—E L Lomax, James Davis
Pleasant Hill—John Cason, S D Wall
Parsons Grove--G R West, S H Parsons
Ramah Grove--F C Chavis, W C Melton
Red Level—J B Byrd, B C McLendon
Rockford E--L N Meachum
Rockford W—E M Tillman, W M Dean
Sandy Ridge—M P Waring
Saron--C McDaniel
Shankle Grove—W M Allen, T C Dunlap
St, Paul—D A Thomas, R B Douglass
Timmonsville—Joe Ratliff
White Oak—Rev B J Parsons, Rev R C Cox

PROCEEDINGS

St. Paul Baptist Church, 1st. St., Charlotte, N. C. }
Wednesday, Oct. 15th, 1924 }

The Zion Missionary Baptist Association met to-day in its fifty-second annual session in the St. Paul Baptist Church, Rev. J. E. P. Little, Moderator presiding.

The Associationwas called together by Rev J W Diggs conducting the praise services as follows: Hymn No.449 C. M. Prayer by Rev W H Station. 2nd hymn No. 234. The Moderator introduced Rev J T Williams to preach the introductory sermon. He arose, and after making some remarks announced for a text 1st Timothy 1:15. This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief." Subject: "A faithful saying." The speaker said, in part, that Paul was a true witness of this fact; that he was rigid in the persecution of the church. That Jesus met him on the road and convinced him that he, Christ, was the Saviour of the world. He told Timothy "if the Judeans called us sexes, and the message a saying, tell them that it was a faithful and worthy saying." He exhorted the ministers to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, because it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. We will have to study God and the Gospel. We cannot preach the Gospel unless we know it. The Gospel has one common bearing, and it must be heard by everybody.

This was a great sermon, and was delivered from a master-mind in a masterly way. Prayer by Rev W M Allen. Collection $15.00. Benediction by Rev B B Sturdivant.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Sharply at 2:45, the Moderator re-assembled the Association. Rev J W Diggs conducted the praise services as follows : Hymn No. 375. Prayer by brother J C Cason. 2nd hymn No. 378. Prayer by brother G W White The Moderator announced the house open and in order for business.

Roll called, names of delegates enrolled; announcing the different committees. See roll.

Time having arrived for the Moderator's address, Rev J C Ellerbee, Vice-Moderator, presided.

"Since Jesus came into my heart," etc.,was sung. The Vice-Moderator, with well chosen words, introduced. Rev Little, the Moderator, who came forward, giant-like in position, but Moses-like in spirit, and delivered, out of the fullness of his heart, one of the most unique and profound messages, filled with thought, dictated with words of wisdom. It was indeed a treat to those who listened to it. See elsewhere for address. On motion the address was refered to a committee on Moderator's address, viz : C C Horne, J J Hines and Peter Horne.

Bro G W Baucum, Cor. Sec'y, made his annual report. See Appendix for report. On motion the report be adopted. An invitation was extended to visitors, to which Dr. M A Murray and J P Reeder of Rock Hill, S. C., Rev L R Winford, of Salisbury, N. C., Mrs A F Morgan, editor of Hope published at Nashville, Tenn., Mr. & Mrs J L Walker of Charlotte, N. C., R C Crawford, J W Bennett, Rev W A Currans, Rev J W Dowdle, Rev B J Ivey, Dr B K Mason, N H Liles, Prof J W Crockett, Rev W H Davidson. All came forward and were made welcome. The following made remarks: Mrs A F Morgan, representing her paper, and the Fire-Side school as began by the late Mrs J P Moore; Dr W A Murray, representing Friendship College at Rock Hill, S C., Rev L R Winford, Rev Davidson, Prof Crocket & Dr Mason.

A collection of $3.04 was taken and donated to Mrs Morgan, to help her in the Fire-Side School. Doxology was sung. Benediction by Dr Murray.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

The Association re-assembled, the Moderator presiding. Praise services conducted by Rev J W Diggs as follows: Hymn No. 454. "A charge to keep I have," etc. Prayer by Rev T C Dunlap. 2nd hymn No. 345. "My God the springs of my joy," etc. Prayer by Rev W. G. Flake. The local committee rendered the following program. Rev P M Mayfield, the pastor, spoke of welcome on behalf of the church and community." Prof J W Crockett spoke words of welcome on behalf of the city. Bro J R Alsobrooks made the response on behalf of the field. The hour having arrived for the sermon, Rev J J Hines, accompanied by Rev J M Dowdle, filled the stand. Rev Dowdle lined hymn No 375. "O for a closer walk with God," etc., which was sung with the spirit. The Moderator introduced Rev Hines to deliver the sermon on "The social life of the community. He arose and announced as a text for the occasion. Proverbs 27:17, "Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend." The speaker demonstrated the fact, that by socializing, men have cooperated and brought great things to bear; bound man to man, county to county, nations to nations. The sermon was full of practical thoughts, inspiring, wholesome. "Go preach my Gospel sayeth the Lord," etc., was sung. Rev Dowdle led in an earnest prayer. Dr. M A Murray was presented to lift a collection for Friendship College amounting to $18.31. " Praise God from whom all blessings flow" was sung. Benediction by Rev P M Mayfield.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

At 9:30 the Association was called to assemble. The Vice-Moderator, Rev J C Ellerbee, conducted the praise service as follows: Hymn No 350. "Come we that love the Lord," etc. Prayer by Rev B B Sturdivant. 2nd hymn "Take your burden to the Lord," etc. Prayer by broth-

er J C Cason. The Moderator, after making a few remarks, announced the house open and in order for business.

On motion the minutes of yesterday and last night were read and approved. The committee on Moderator's address made report. On motion the report be received and adopted. A letter from Rev W L Butler was read. On motion the letter be referred to the Executive Committee. The committee on education made the following report: Whereas, this is a day of progress along educational lines, and so much is being done from the old field schools to the Universities. Be it resolved, that we commend Zion Association for what she did for our young ministers through Shaw University last year. We would ask that this amount be supplimented in some way that more of the much needed training be put in the reach of those who are aspiring for Bible knowledge. We further recommend that each pastor give one sermon at some season of the year for the benefit of education. Said money raised be brought to the Association for ministerial education. Personal devotions are earnestly encouraged.

Respectfully your committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

Rev J J Hines discussed the above report.

A letter from New Grove church was read and referred to the committee on place.

Rev Dr J H Moore of Charlotte was introduced, and and was made welcome. He made remarks, and also read a letter from Dr A W Pegues of Raleigh, requesting the Zion Association for a donation of $50.00 to assist in better fitting up the Theological department of Shaw University. The remarks were received with thanks. The letter was referred to the Executive Committee.

The following visiting ministers were recognized and made welcome, viz: Revs R C McVay, ------Lindsey, C S Crumpler, J W Fraizer, and D D Allen. Rev B J Ivey, pastor of Elizabeth M., made some very timely remarks. Bro Woods came forward and was given a seat of wel-

come. He spoke in charming words of bringing souls to Christ,

Rev W G Flake, pastor of New Grove, was introduced and made welcome.

On motion, adjourned. Collection $7.00.

Rev Fraizer is a blind minister. He was allowed to sing one or more of his ballads, and a collection $3.80 was given to him. Benediction by Rev S N Davidson.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association re-assembled, with the Moderator in the chair. Some spiritual songs were sung; after which we were led in prayer by Bro Frank Sturdivant. The house was announced ready for business. The committee on missions made the following report: "Seeing that the field is ripe unto harvest, and that laborers are few," and that the great commission of the Saviour is "go into all the world and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." God's plan to save the world has been and always will be, is carried on through missions. He sent His Son into the world to die, and raised himself for our salvation and redemption, and he sent the Holy Spirit to purify us and make us like God. He sent us into the world with the Gospel which is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believe. He has promised to be with us to make the message count. Therefore it is impossible for any person or church to live for God without doing missionary work. We therefore recommend that all our churches unite with their greatest endeavors to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the end of the world. We also recommend that all our churches make their missionary reports through the Associaton." Respectfully your committee.

After an enthusiastic speech on missions by Rev Davis, by motion the report was adopted.

The Woman's Missionary Society, auxiliary to Zion

Association, rendered the following program : A paper, subject : "How best to succeed as a missionary society?" was read by Mrs J W Diggs.

Miss Fannie Davis read a splendid paper on the subject : "The object of missions."

Mrs D L Nivens intertained us with a spicy paper—subject : "How can we best succeed as Missionary Circles?"

Mrs C C Horne graced the Association with a very, very strong paper on the subject : "The necessity of the men co-operating with the women in the salvation of the world." To say the women did credit to themselves and the occasion is speaking it mildly.

Mrs A C Robinson, the President, arose and addressed the Association, renumerating some of the work accomplished by the woman's convention this year in a tangiable manner,to wit: Garments sent to the Lot Cary Convention 65. Money sent to Lot Cary Convention $20.00. To the Woman's State Convention $35.00. To the Zion's Association $30.00.

Miss Capatoli Wilson, State Missionary and organizer, made some very encouraging remarks.

Rev Dr B K Mason made the happy reference to these sisters' addresses, and thanking them for their generous donation. He also emphasized the importance of encouraging the women that was worth while, and solicited the aid of the brethren to help the sisters to put over this great program for God.

Mrs B K Mason was presented, and make remarks. Committee on the Condition of the Country, made the following report, "We feel that the Lord has wonderfully blessed us since our last annual sitting. However conditions to some extent have been unfavorable with many, on account of the shortness of crops. Notwithstanding, the Lord has wonderfully blessed our churches with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, which has meant so much to the gathering together of souls for Christ and his kingdom. We feel that the negro of the South has become better satisfied with conditions, and we trust that conditions will continue to improve."

Respectfully your committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

Committee on Place and Time, reported as follows: We recommend that the next session of the Zion}Association will convene with the Saron Baptist Church, 2 miles north of Polkton, N. C., beginning on Wednesday before the 3rd Lord's day in October, 1925, at 11 o'clock. Rev J F Davis to preacn the introductory sermon. Rev B J Ivey, alternate. Respectfully submitted. Your Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion the Executive Committee have the Union Meeting program published in the People's Enterprise, published at Monroe, N. C.

Committee on officers reported, and the report was adopted. See rolls of officers.

Motioned, adjourned. Benediction by Rev J. F. Davis.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

At 7:30 p. m. The Association re-assembled, the Moderator presiding. Rev J W Diggs conducted the praise service as follows: Hymn No. 196 C. M. "Come Holy Spirit Heavenly Dove," etc. Prayer by Rev James Horne. Second hymn No. 334 S. M. Prayer by Rev W A Currans. Rev P T Dixon, accompanied by Rev J C Ellerbee took a seat on the rostrum. Rev Ellerbee lined hymn No. 492 C. M., which was sung by choir. After which the Moderator introduced the speaker of the hour to deliver sermon in the person of Rev P T Dixon, pastor of Timmonsville Baptist Church. Rev Dixon came forward. After singing a spiritual, announced as a text Jeremiah 5:1, "Run ye to and fro through the the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth, and I will pardon it." Subject: "A man wanted." This pulpit orator held his audience spellbound while he proved to them that in every walk of life God wanted a man. A man for all the word man stands for. He said in part that God needed a man in the home; in the community, in the church, in the State, in the nation. Everywhere God wants a man. The

The Holy Spirit made its presence felt in our souls while this man of God talked to us by the way. Collection for foreign missions $54.01.

The committee on obituary made the following report: Since we find so many of our loved ones gone into the great beyond, therefore be it resolved that a blank page in the minutes, bordered with black rule, with the words "In memory of our dead."

Resolved 2nd, that all business be suspended for 15 minutes and memorial services held.

On motion the report was adopted.

A few more years shall roll,
A few more seasons come
And we shall be with those that rest,
Asleep within the tomb."

was sung, after which Rev B J Parsons spoke very touching about our deceased.

"Shall we meet beyond the river," etc., was sung, and we had the benediction by Rev W H Horne.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Promptly at 9:45 a. m., the Association assembled with Rev J E P Little, presiding.

Rev I S A Hilliard conducted the praise services as follows: "No, not one," etc., was sung. Prayer by brother S H Parsons. Second selection 259 S. M. Prayer by Rev S M Chapel. After praise services, the Moderator, occupied the chair and announced the Association open and ready for business.

On motion the proceedings of yesterday and last night were read and adopted.

Rev Mayfield presented Mr. Abram White (white), a furniture merchant of Charlotte, who in turn, with complimentary remarks concerning Rev Mayfield, introduced his Hon E R Preston, att'y, also of Charlotte. Mr. Preston arose and addressed the Association in a general way on progressive and religious lines. His speech

was well taken and very much appreciated by the members of the Association as evidenced by a standing vote of thanks tendered by them.

Rev B B Sturdivant, Treasurer, submitted his report. On motion the report was received and adopted with thanks. See report.

Committee on the needs of our field reported. The report follows: After a careful consideration, we feel ourselves unable to mention all of the needs of the field notwithstanding we want to say that our field needs prepared leadership. For without, all of our work to some extent is dead. We further need co-operation in every phase of christian work. We recommend that all of our churches see to it that their pulpits are filled with efficient preachers, whose lives are wholesome. We further recommend that our churches co-operate with its policy according to its direction.

Respectfully your committee

On motion the report was received and adopted. Bro Thomas Huntley, one of the young ministers of Zion who is attending school at Friendship College, Rock Hill, S. C., was presented and made remarks.

The Ordaining Board made report. On motion the report was received and adopted. See report.

The following contributed 50c. and above as a donation to Bro Thomas Huntley, to aid him in school: P M Mayfield 1.00, Frank Hailey 1.00, J F Davis 2.00, J C Ellerbee 1.00, J C Covington 1.00, J W Diggs 1.00, B J Sturdivant 1.00, S M Hubbard 1.00, B F McManus 1.00, F C Chavis 1.00, E L Lomax 1.00, P A Davis 1.00, P T Dixon 1.00, B B Bennett 1.00, S H. Parsons 50c., James Davis 50c., Mary Caraway Huntley 50c., J P Reader 50c, W A Currans 50c., J C Cason 50c., O L Tanner 50c., E M Tillman 50c., W M Nivens 50c.; total collection 26.10.

The Finance Committee made report. On motion the report adopted. See report.

Rev B B Sturdivant, accompanied by Rev S M Chapel, filled the stand to preach the closing sermon. Rev Chapel lined hymn No. 170. Prayer by Rev W M Allen. 2nd selection, hymn No. 559.

Rev Chapel introduced Rev Sturdivant to deliver the sermon. Rev Sturdivant arose and announced as a text for the occasion, Matt. 5:16. "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and be constrained to glorify your father, which is in heaven."

Subject : "The great light house."

The speaker said in part, "That light shines brighter by the progress of enlightenment and civilization; light shines brighter by cleaning the outer globe; our light should shine in every calling and in every place. We should regularly. There never was a time when light was more needed than now. Shine for Jesus, because he shines for you. Shine the best you can. Love is the main spring of action. Ministers, you had better watch. Satan is trying to get the best of you. You have the sword that will cut your way." This was a great sermon. The speaker sat down amid shouts of joy. "Am I a soldier of the cross," etc., was sung, and J W A Blake led in prayer.

An invitation was extended to visitors. Revs J W A Blake of the A M E Zion connection, J H E Nelson of the Rowan Association, W M McCauley & B F McManus came forward and was made welcome. They all made remarks. Rev Dr Nelson represented his paper, the Concord Recorder, of which he is editor.

Committee on New Bodies made the following report: Being duly organized, the pastor and deacons of Red Level Baptist church, 4 miles west of Monroe, N. C., appeared before us. After giving satisfaction as to the orthordox of the church, and their willingness to comply with same; also to comply with the rules and regulations of Zion Association. We recommend that it be received and become a member of Zion Association.

Respectfully your Committee

By motion, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Periodicals and Publications made the following report: Whereas, as a denomination we should have uniform course of instruction, which implies teaching missionary Baptist faith and usages. We should supply ourselves with periodicals published by the leading publishers of missionary Baptist literature. Be it resolved that we supply ourselves with a paper that publishes the work that is done throughout the State, especially the Union Reformer, and the People's Enterprise. Respectfully submitted, your Committee.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

On motion Rev C B Bethea was made reporter to the papers. The Association adjourned to meet next year with the Saron church, Polkton, N. C., with benediction by Dr J P Reader.

REV J E P LITTLE, Moderator

A L LEAK, Clerk

APPENDIX

COMMITTEES MAKE THEIR REPORTS

On Moderator's Address—After listening with breath-silence and intensive interest to that immortal document, fraught with sound judgment, pungent truth, wholesome advice, worthy to be accepted and followed by us all. Therefore we recommend that the whole matter be spread upon the face of the minutes; and the recommendations be referred to the proper committee, viz: (1) To committee on education (2) To the committee on missions. (3,4) To the Executive committee JJ Hines, C C Horne, and Peter Horne, Committee.

Corresponding Secretary's Report—I am glad of this opportunity of meeting you all in this annual gathering. When I think of the many years in which I have served you in my humble way, and the many letters, cards and other communications going to your churches and homes, it makes this sad thought come to me—how long, oh! Lord will we continue to meet in this august body to render up our stewardship. But let me say, when I look into your faces, I believe I can justly read strong determinations from not only the layman, but from the ministerial ranks We are proud of Zion Association. Her Sunday Schools; her Woman's Home Mission Circles; her Young Men and Women's Christian Association, and all the great host of workers that make up this grand organization of ours. We are grateful to know that a goodly number of our ministers are proving themselves worthy along all lines of their church work. I fear we criticise our ministers too much sometimes. If we feel like we know more than our minister; it will be better to take him into our confidence, and encourage him to think more, read more, pray more and walk with God more.

Our church work is progressing especially in the ingathering of souls. Dear brethren, I fear we spend too much of our christian energy in building fine churches. Some of them beyond our ability as a race, and leaving off the minor things which ought to concern us mostly —such as seeing to it to help our ministers prepare themselves literally, and help to send the Word where men do not recognize it. The Hospital at Wadesboro. This should appeal to our consideration. We should fix a ward for our folks. Let's not sit down and wait for our white brethren to do it all. Let us do something in this direction ourselves now.

I believe our pastors are willing to fall in line and help foster these worthy causes. Brethren, let us take a little more pains with our church records; look after our church letters a little closer. If there is anything about your letter blanks you do not understand, see or write Cor. Sec'y, and have it explained. May the Omnipitant eye watch over our steps during this session, and may our wark be justifiable before Him.

Yours in Christ, G W Baucum, Cor. Sec'y.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bro. Moderator and brethren—Below is the account of B B Sturdivant, Treasurer of Zion Association, for the fiscal year ending Oct. 1, 1924.

Receipts, Oct. 17, 1923.	From Finance Committee	$501.07
	Public collections	212.91
	W H Society	15.00
	Bro. H Henry	5.00
	Miss Minnie B Davis, on note	25.00
Dec. 29, 1924.	From Union Meeting	88.10
	Bal. on Representing Fee	5.91
June 29, 1924.	Rec'd, Miss Minnie B Davis, Bal. on note	120.00
June 29, 1924.	From Union Meeting	65.16
	Total - - -	$1038.15
Balance brought forward, last report		726.11
	Aggregate resources	$1764.26

Credits—

Oct. 19, 1924.	Order 1.	A W Pegues, Ministerial education	31.00
"	2	J E P Little, Moderator, services	25.00
"	3	A L Leak, service and expenses	35.00
"	4	B B Sturdivant, Treasurer & expenses	12.00
"	5	G W Baucum, Cor. Sec. & expenses	25.00
"	6	G S Bennett, Sexton	3.00
"	7	M P Bennett, donation to Deep Creek	25.00
"	8	C H Huntley, donation to Mt. Moriah	15.00
"	9	J D Parker, donation to Olive Branch	12.50
"	10	R Diggs, Superanuated minister	15.00
"	11	A C Chambers, " "	4.71
"	12	B J Sturdivant " "	4.71
"	13	V B R Bowman, " "	4.71
"	14	H D Tillman " "	4.71
"	15	D A Tillman " "	4.71
"	16	A L Leak, for foreign mission	75.00
"	17	A L Leak, for State missions	35.00
"	18	A L Leak, for Orphan Home	24.34
"	19	A L Leak, for Shaw University	9.45
"	20	B B Sturdivant, ex. to Linwood Academy	8.40
"	21	Henry Diggs, donation to Chilson Grove	10.00
"	22	B B Sturdivant, donation to Flint Ridge	10.00
"	23	C H Waddell, expense to Board meeting	2.00
"	24	W M Nivens, donat'n to Miss Montrose Hasty	$15
"	25	J R Alsobrooks, expenses to board meeting	1.00
"	26	B J Parsons, superanuated minister	4.71
"	27	R S Sturdivant, ex. of Finance Com.	7.00
"	28	E M Martin, ministerial aid	12.50
"	29	J V Lowe, Printing winutes	108.00
"	30	J F Davis, expenses to board meeting	2.02
"	31	S N Davidson, donat'n to Western U. Acad'y	4.25
"	32	J F Davis, delegates ex. to State Convent'n	24.00
"	33	B J Parsons, Moderator U. meeting Dec.	4.00

"	34	J T Ratliff, Secretary Union Meeting "	4.00
"	35	Clarence Nicholson, sexton "	1.50
"	36	E W Crowder, donation for Nicy Grove	5.00
"	37	J F Davis, donation to Miss Rob'ta Robinson	$15
"	38	C C Horne, donation to Miss Ruth Horne	11.50
"	39	G W Crowder, donation to Ebenezer	10.00
"	40	Jas Timlic, legal ex. in Linwood case	25.00
"	41	Thomas E Huntley, ministerial aid	12.50
"	42	C H Waddell, " "	12.50
"	43	Henry Little, " "	12.50
"	44	B J Parsons, Moderator Union meet'g, June	3.75
"	45	J T Ratliff, Sec. Union meeting, June	3.00
"	46	Lony Broadaway, sexton	1.50
"	47	A loan	45.00
		Total, - - -	$ 741.42
		Balance - - -	1022.84
		Aggregate - -	$1764.26

Running expenses, including printing minutes, etc., 225.75.
State and foreign missions $134.00; Shaw University $41.45; aged ministers $43.26; to aid girls in school, $41.50; to aid ministers in school $50.00; given to weak churches $87.50; given to Orphan Home $24.34; miscellaneous $84.67. Total $741.42.

B B Sturdivant, Treasurer.

St. Paul Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C., Oct. 17, 1924. This certifies that I have carefully examined the vouchers, and audited the account of B. B. Sturdivant, Treasurer of Zion Association and find the foregoing accurate and true. J C Cason, Auditor.

Finance Committees's Report

CHURCHES	Rept. Fee	S. & F. Missions	Min. Education	Aged Ministers	Shaw University	Total Sent
Bethel	1 70	25	25	25		2 45
Brown Creek	12 90	50	25	1 00	50	15 15
Cedar Creek	9 35	25	25	50		10 35
Chilson Grove	6 10		25	25		6 65
Chamber Gr've	5 30		25	1 00		6 58
Cool Spring	1 30	50	50	50		2 80
Deep Creek	56 70		50	1 00		58 20
Ebenezer	3 70	50	40	40		5 00
Elizabeth M	19 90	2 00	1 00	1 00		23 90
Elizabeth P D	4 20			50		4 70
Flat Rock	3 00	25	25	1 25		4 75
Fletchers Grove	18 80	50	50	1 50		21 30
Flint Ridge	11 30	1 00	50	1 00		13 80
Friendship	14 00		50	50		15 00
Gallilee	2 90	1 60	2 00	2 00		8 50
Green Hill	60	1 00		50		2 10
Long Pine	6 90	2 00	1 00	1 00		10 90
Madison Grove	7 10	10 00	3 00	2 50		22 60
Meltonsville	61 90	1 68	50	78		64 86
McLean Grove	5 65	25	25	1 00		7 15
Mt Zion	3 80	1 50	1 00	1 50	3 00	10 80
Mt Moriah	1 00	50	25	50		2 25
New Zion	12 10					12 10
Nicy Grove	16 40	5 00	1 00	2 00		24 40
Olive Branch		50	25	55		1 30
Pleasant Hill	7 00					7 00
Poplar Hill	9 90	3 15	25	50		13 80
Parsons Grove	42 60	25	25	25		43 35
Poplar Spring	16 70		25	25		17 20
Ramah Grove	18 80	50	50	1 00		20 80
Rockford E	14 00		1 00	1 50		16 50
Rockford W	12 00			50		12 50
Red Level	4 00					4 00
Sandy Ridge	12 30	4 00	4 00	2 00		22 30
Saron	8 40	25	25	25		9 15
Shankle	1 90	50	25	25		2 90
St Paul	17 80	25	50	25		18 80
Timmonsville	6 80		25	25		7 30
White Oak	11 05	50	50	1 00		13 05
Flint Ridge W	80	25	50	25		1 80
New Grove	9 20	25	50	1 90		11 85

Collected—Representing fee	$475.55
State and foreign missions	39.66
Ministerial Education	23.65
Aged ministers	33.13
Shaw University	3.50
Public collection	157.26
Total - -	$732.75

Recapitulation—Number of churches	41
Number baptized	364
Number died	82
Membership	5,848

Amount contributed to missions and education $912.12

AMOUNT DUE FROM THE CHURCHES TO SQUARE UP FOR 1924.

Fletcher's Grove 8.80; Brown Creek 15.15; Chilson's Grove 2.00.

☞ The Moderator's address was never turned in from the committee. All efforts to secure it have failed. The last heard of it was in the possession of Rev J J Hines.—Clerk

REPORT OF THE ORDAINING BOARD

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 16, 1924

The ordaining board met on the above named date and place, and transacted the following: Revs R C Cox and T C Dunlap having been ordained by order of their churches, we feel very keenly their lack of preparation, and also the criticism of the laity of the churches, we therefore beg that no church ever ask any part of the board to ordain a brother without the presence of both, the catechizer and the Sec'y, viz: Revs B B Sturdivant and J F Davis. While we recommend that they be enrolled with the ordained ministers, we do so with a degree of modesty—praying that they may make good by prayerful study of God's word, and the work of the ministry. Revs B J Parsons, B B Sturdivant, J W Diggs, J C Ellerbee, W H Horne and J F Davis.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Whereas, The Zion Missionary Baptist Association met in the Queen City of the State, (Charlotte,N.C.) in its 52nd annual session.

Whereas, This has been one of the most harmonious and successful session ever held in the history of the Association from every angle.

Whereas, The pastor, Rev P M Mayfield, and the members of St. Paul Baptist Church, Rev J H Moore, and the members of the First Baptist Church, Rev B K Mason, and the members of Friendship Baptist Church, Rev D B M'Dodona of members of Ebenezer Baptist Church, each, have spared no time nor pains in trying to make our stay profitable and pleasant.

Whereas, Each one whom has partaken of these hospitalities is desirous of expressing his or her gratitude for the services rendered and favors shown.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we, the officers, delegates and visitors, tender our heart-felt thanks to the pastors and members of the said churches mentioned above and all others whom contributed in any way to the success of the meeting, or our comfort and happiness.

Respectfully submitted, C. C. Horne

RULES OF DECORUM

1st. The Moderator shall fill the chair and preserve decorum in the Association. Of him punctuality and vigilance are particially required. He shall open and close the Association with prayer to God or call on some brother to perform the service. He shall appoint committees with the sanction of the Association, explain questions, administer reproof and decide questions between contending claims. He may require motions to be presented in writing whenever he deems necessary.

2nd. The Clerk shall enroll the names of the members, minute the minute the proceedings of the body, and discharge such duties as belong to a Recording Secretary.

3rd. The members of this Association to observe the respect to the officers and each other which becometh those who reverence the Great Being whose cause they should labor to promote. All invectives should be carefully avoided while speaking, and those who are speaking, should refrain from all such indecorius conduct that is calculated to throw odium on the speaker or to interrupt his chain of thought or feelings or in any way disturb the peace of the Association. No person may withdraw from the Association without permission from the Moderator. Let all things be done decently and in order.

4th. No member of a committee shall be considered in order who while said committee's report is under discussion by the house shall take the negative side of the report.

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be known as the Zion Missionary Baptist Association.

Art. 2. The primary object of this Association shall be increase the spirit and efficiency of the churches, to support the Gospel in destitute places among us, to assist the churches in the erection of suitable buildings for worship; to organize churches and Sunday Schools whenever practicable; to raise contributions for State, Home and Foreign Missions and to co-operate with the Union Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in all of its plans of Educational and Missionary work.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of regular Baptist churches in good standing, and in full practice of the faith, discipline, ordinances. and of the doctrines of rugular Baptist denominations. Also of the regular ministers in good standing in the churches in the bounds of the Association, and messengers elected annually by the churches of this body.

Art. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, an Auditor, an Executive Committee of seven, and an Ordaining Board. The Moderator, Recording Secretary and Treasurer shall constitute three members of the Executive Committee. These officers shall be elected annually, and hold their officers until their successors are elected.

Art. 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings or call some brother to fill the chair, and enforce order in accordance with the Rules of decorum and Constitution. He shall settle points of order, give the casting vote in case of a tie, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the body.

Art. 6. The Recording Secretary shall perform the usual duties belonging to such office. He shall sign all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

Art. 7. Corresponding Secretary shall take charge of all the correspondence between this Association and other bodies. All communications and appeals to the various churches of this field shall be sent to him. He shall be ex-officio Secretary to the Executive Committee.

Art. 8. The Treasurer of this Association shall be Treasurer of the Union Meeting. He shall hold all monies and valuable papers belonging to this Association. He shall pay orders only when they are properly drawn and signed by the Moderator and Secretary. He shall give an annual report to this body, preceded by an examination and endorsement of the Auditor. He shall give bond to the full security of the Associational property in his hands.

Art. 9. The Executive Committee shall have full charge of the Association when it is not in session. They shall draw the plans of operation for the field approved by the Association. All claims on the Treasury of this body must be presented to the Executive Committee. They shall meet as often as called together by the Corresponding Secretary and Moderator, and shall make full report of their work to the Association through the Cor. Secretary. Three members shall constitute a quorum.

Art. 10. The Ordaining Board shall have supervision of the Ecclesiastical department of the Association. They shall examine all applicants for ordination, and pass on the credentials of all members of this body. All requests for ministerial aid from this Association must be recommended by the Ordaining Board.

Art. 11. Any regular Baptist Church may continue its membership in this Association by the payment of ten (10) cents per capita for each of its members. (Said 10 cents is also the representation fee into the various Union Meeting.) Two-fifths of which shall be used for general expenses, and three-fifths for ministerial education, and raising money for missions. Any church failing to come up to the financial requirements of the Association shall not be considered in good standing and not allowed to enroll 'till satisfaction is rendered to this body by such church.

Art. 12. New constituted churches, or churches dismissed from other deliberative bodies of the same faith and order, may be admitted into this Association by sending their messengers to an annual meeting with letters of petition, and agreeing to the declaration of principles laid down in God's word.

13. The members convened in this association, shall have no ecclesiastical or disciplinary power over the churches.

14. The Association shall meet annually, and be composed of not more than 3 messengers from each church with a letter giving the condition of the church. Said meeting to convene on Wednesday before the 3rd Lord's day in October at 11 o'clock A. M., and with an introductory sermon, and continue in session until business is completed. The Union Meeting shall meet on Friday before each 5th Sunday or often as may deem practicable, and should there fail to be a place for a Union Meeting at the session, the Executive Committee shall find a location and notify the field immediately through the Cor. Secretary.

Art. 15. No difficulty between churches or church shall be heard by this Association until Gospel steps have been fully taken outside of this body to settle the difficulty.

Art. 16. Any church, a member of this body, that is corrupt in practice or doctrine, after Gospel steps have been taken to reclaim it, and it persists in its course, shall no longer be a member of this body, and the reason in full shall be published in the minutes. Any church failing to represent by letter or messengers 2 successive years, shall be visited by suitable admonition, and if it neglects to represent the 3rd year. it shall be dropped from this Association.

Art. 17. All visiting ministers shall be welcomed to seats among us, but not allowed to vote.

Art. 18. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present. Provided such amendments shall be submitted on the 1st day of the sitting of the Association, and adopted on a subsequent day.

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Church Expenses	Missions	Education	Charity	Reported by Aux.	Total Con. & Ex.
Bethel	75 00	46 70	25	25	50		122 70
Brown Creek	200 00	73 50	80		9 80		284 11
Cedar Creek	125 00	398 10	25	25	50	35 00	559 10
Chamber Gr've	131 00	17 30	1 00	25	11 00		160 55
Chilson Grove	200 00	96 00	3 00	25	5 25	30 10	334 60
Cool Spring	150 00	30 75			75		181 50
Deep Creek	300 00	561 19	31 86	50	9 02	69 68	972 25
Ebenezer	359 00	156 77	10 50	40	11 40	66 50	593 77
Elizabeth M	106687	119058	26 13	1 00	26 13	30 00	223422
Elizabeth P D	170 60	115 80	3 50		9 56	33 37	301 26
Flat Rock	159 98	12 80	25	25	8 25	1 50	------
Fletchers Grove	400 00	112 75	50	50	11 50		52----
Flint Ridge	250 00	101 17	1 00	50	14 75		367 --
Flint Ridge W	95 00	11 05	25	25	3 25		110 30
Friendship	850 00	726 70	6 35	50	10 50	5 00	159905
Gallilee	175 00	41 30	1 60	2 00	12 00	64 77	296 67
Long Pine	200 00	34 20	2 00	1 00	16 00		254 00
Madison Grove	214 10	26 50	10 00	3 00	23 02	38 07	314 69
Meltonsville	300 00	153 40	1 60	50	64 63		586 04
McLean Grove	150 00	126 74	25	25	9 00		286 24
Mt Zion	250 00	297 80	1 50	4 00	5 87	23 00	564 17
Mt Moriah	50 00	53 50		25	50		105 00
New Zion	162 00	44 60	50	50			206 60
New Grove	175 00	15 20	25		10 65		201 60
Nicy Grove	300 00	101 66	5 00	1 00	15 31	57 59	474 56
Olive Branch	91 73	26 75	6 53	25	50	3 75	129 71
Pleasant Hill		7 20					7 00
Poplar Hill	105 25	221 91	3 15	25	5 50		336 06
Parsons Grove	417 28	589 66	50	25	25 25		103294
Poplar Spring	250 00	86 20	3 07	25	10 60		350 12
Ramah Grove	200 00	190 80	50	50	26 00		417 90
Rockford E	200 00	163 54	11 60	1 00	13 57	56 78	446 49
Rockford W	400 00	15 60	17 43	3 20	6 50	8 00	450 73
Red Level	200 00	44 20	2 00	25	4 00	20 00	270 45
Sandy Ridge	251 27	209 72	4 00	4 00	31 22		500 21
Saron	240 00	38 40	25	25	6 75		286 25
Shankle	150 00	28 70	50	25	3 25		192 70
St Paul	108000	171370	15 00	4 75	281 00	99 30	315170
Timmonsville	225 00	128 25	75	25	2 09		351 34
White Oak	175 00	113 25	50	50	6 00	93 77	389 02
Green Hill	50 00	126 60	1 00		2 50		180 10

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS & THEIR POSTOFFICE	Sab. of Preach'g	Baptized	Rec'd & Restored	Dismissed & Ex.	Died	Membership
Bethel	E H Martin, Wadesboro, N C	3					17
Brown Creek	J E P Little, Route 1, "	3	11	8	7	2	174
Cedar Creek	B J Parsons, " A "	1	7	11	3	1	131
Chamber Gr've	D H Davidson " 3, Charlotte "	2	9			1	73
Chilson Grove	W H Horne, " 1, Morven "	4	7			1	81
Cool Spring				2			23
Deep Creek	H I Quick Rockingham "	2	24	5	7	4	607
Ebenezer	C B Bethea Maxton "	1-3	6			1	57
Elizabeth M	B J Ivey Monroe "	1-4	11	14	1	2	219
Elizabeth P D	J F Davis " "	2				1	42
Flat Rock	R S Tanner, Route A, Wadesboro "	3	16		2		50
Fletchers Grove	J W Diggs, " 1, Pee Dee "	1-3	7	7		1	253
Flint Ridge	B B Sturdviant Polkton "	2	7	1	10	1	173
Flint Ridge W	W H Staton " "		2	4	1		18
Friendship	S N Davidson		6			2	170
Gallilee	E H Martin Wadesboro "	1	10	2	2	2	39
Long Pine	J C Covington, box 437, Maxton "	3	7	1	3		89
Madison Grove	J F Davis Monroe "	4	1	3	8		101
Meltonsville	J E P Little, Route 1, Wadesboro "	4	21	2	5	12	639
McLean Grove		1	3			1	79
Mt Zion	J C Ellerbee, box 215, Morven "	4		1	2	1	78
Mt Moriah	J C Chambers, Route 2, Peachland "		3		1		25
New Zion	B J Parsons, " A, Wadesboro "	3	8	2	2	2	146
New Grove	W G Flake, " 1, Norwood "	1	8		3	1	120
Nicy Grove	J C Ellerbee, box 215, Morven "	1	14	3	5	3	204
Olive Branch	G R Chambers, Route 1, Marshville "	3	2				18
Pleasant Hill	R L Michael " 3, Peachland "	1	2	1	8	2	72
Poplar Hill	J R Faison, Wadesboro "	3	18		3	2	119
Parsons Grove	J J Hines Shannon "	1	15	3	4	7	457
Poplar Spring	J E P Little, Route 1, Wadesboro "	2	22	1	9	3	192
Ramah Grove	B J Parsons, " A, " "	2	10	6	2	1	208
Rockford E		1	4	4	3	4	160
Rockford W	J T Williams, Rockingham "	2	10	3	5	4	156
Red Level	W H Horne, Route 1, Morven "	3	5	7	3	2	42
Sandy Ridge	B F McManus, Cheraw, S C	3	23	1			138
Saron	L R Winford Salisbury "	2	7	5	7	1	96
Shankle	W M Redfearn, Route 2, Cheraw, S C "	2			1	1	39
St Paul	P M Mayfield, 810 S. Long St., Charlotte "	2-4	48	33	3	10	216
Timmonsville	P T Dixon, Florence, S C	1	6	2	2	2	78
White Oak	B J Parsons, Route A, Wadesboro "	4	2	2	6	1	133
Green Hill	James Diggs Morven "	3	2	5	4	1	16

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In Memory of Our Dead

REV. A. C. CHAMBERS

Deacon M. P. BENNETT

Sister ISABELLE MELTON

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MINUTES

—of the—

Woman's Home & Foreign Mis. Convention

of Union and Anson Counties, Auxiliary to the Zion Association, held with Deep Creek Baptist Church, 10 miles south of Wadesboro, N. C. August 30th and 31st, 1924

OFFICERS FOR 1925

President—Mrs A C Robinson.....Monroe, N C
Vice-President— Mrs S L Davis..... " "
Recording Secretary–Mrs I S A Hilliard, Wadesboro "
Cor. Secretary—Mrs C C Horne, Route 1, Peachland "
Treasurer—Mrs M F Little, Route 1, Wadesboro "

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Mrs C C Boulware, Chairman..... Monroe, N C
" Eliza Robinson.....Pee Dee "
" Ellen Ricketts, Route A.....Wadesboro "
" Annie Sturdivant .....Wadesboro "
" Mary Ingram, Route 2.....Peachland "
" Kate Horne.....McFarlan "
Odessa Livingston.....Monroe "
Mary Crowder.....Wingate "
Nora Taylor.....Polkton "
Lizzie Boggan.....Polkton "

PROCEEDINGS

Deep Creek Baptist Church, Motor Route A
Wadesboro, N. C., Aug. 30, 1924

The 14th annual meeting of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Convention, auxiliary to the Zion Association, was held with the local circle at Deep Creek Baptist church on Aug. 30-31st. Rev H I Quick, pastor. At 10 o'clock the session opened, with sister Henretta Gatewood and sister Della Barrett leading the praise service. Sister Gatewood lined hymn No. 349. Sister Barrett read for a lesson Matt. 5:1-12. Sister S L Davis led in a fervent prayer of thankfulness. Second selection—"Children of the heavenly," etc., was sung. After having several songs sung, and prayer, the President came forward and made some preliminary remarks, which were very timely, and full of thought.

Then we had the enrolling of delegates and appointing of committees. By general consent of the body, the Secretary was given the power to appoint the committees, which were as follows :

Time and Place--Mesdames Henretta C Smith, Fay-Jones, Lenora Chavis and Rachel Davis.

On Obituary--Mesdames Annie C Martin, D C Barrett and Teeney Owens.

On Officers--Mesdames G W Baucom, Alice Bradley, G A Crowder, Kity Barrett and J T Ratliff.

After which the President lifted an offering, which amounted to 4.02. Sister Elizabeth Ratliff asked God's blessings on the offering. Benediction by Rev J T Rattiff. Recess for dinner. We re-assembled at 2:30. Praise service was conducted by sisters R A Waddell and Julia

Ashcraft. Sister Waddell lined hymn No. 272. Sister Lizzie Boggan carried us to a throne of grace. Sister Ashcraft read for a lesson Matt. 1:1-8. Second selection No. 582. Then space was given for testimonials, of which many were given. Our hearts were filled to overflowing, and we had a real pentecostal shower.

After this the President resumed her seat; made some remarks, then took up program where we left off. 1st on program, "why we should make a greater effort for foreign missions," led by sister Eliza Robinson, and followed by sister Ellen Ricketts. These sisters spared no pains in showing us why we should make a greater effort to put over this great foreign mission program for Jesus Christ. Then the calling of the roll.

We were glad to be enabled to enroll one new circle, viz : The W I C Circle of East Rockford.

We were glad to have Rev J T Ratliff with us, as he gave us some helpful suggestions on different points, which we appreciate very much. We would be glad to have more of our leading brethren to visit our sessions from time to time. After some expressions from the President, we then listened to the committee on the assigning of homes. Benediction by Rev Ratliff.

Night session opened with sisters Maggie Clinton and Eliza Robinson in the chair for praise service. After singing a verse of song, sister Boulware led in a soul-stiring prayer. Then sister Clinton read for a lesson James 1:1-18. After having a real heart-felt praise service, the Vice-President took the chair and rendered the following program :

1st. Addresses of welcome—on the part of the church by Rev J T Ratliff; on the part of the Sunday School by Miss Bertha Dargan;on part of Home Mis. Circle by Mrs Julia C Bennett. Solo by Miss Ruth Dargan. Reponse by Mrs R A Waddell. At this period Rev Ratliff was asked to take the stand for the sermon. The congregation joined sister Boulware in singing "oh for a closer walk with God," etc. Then Rev Ratliff arose and announced for a text the 90th Psalm 1st verse. Subject,

"God, the dwelling place of his people." The speaker made many inspiring points in his discourse. At the close of this inspiring sermon we were carried to a throne of grace by brother Lomax. Then sister Julia Leak and Rev Ratliff lifted an offering of 7.15. Brother G S Bennett asked God's blessing on the offering. Benediction by Rev Ratliff.

Sunday Morning--Praise services were conducted by delegates from Ramah Grove, White Oak Grove and Madison Grove. Hymn No. 940 was sung. Sister Lenora Chavis read the 23rd Psalm for a lesson. After a heartfelt praise service the President came forward and made some expressions of the work, then announced that Mrs C C Horne, our dear mother Sunshine being sick, could not be with us, but sent her daughter (Miss Ruth Horne) to take her place, of which she did most beautifully. She came forward and rendered the following W. I. C. and Sunshine Band program, 1st. An address of welcome by Misses Sarah Dargan, Rec., Rosa Caraway, Rec., Gussie Lee Waddell, Rec., Daisy L Chavis, paper, Lillie Huntley, sub.--children's duty toward their parents. Paper--Ruth Dargan, sub., Young People don't waste away your time. Rec., Dorsie Lomax. Rec., Master Lacy Ratliff. Rec., Beatrice Austin.

These young people made a fine impression. There being several distinguished visitors among us, the President thought best that all say a few words. Hence the following ones made very encouraging remarks: Rev J T Ratliff, Bro K C Katliff, Revs I S A Hilliard and J C Kersey. Then the doors were closed for the Quiet Moments. While we waited for the Holy Spirit, it came and filled our hearts. As the doors were opened, Rev I S A Hilliard arose and lined hymn 196. "Come Holy Spirit heavenly dove," etc. Then Rev J R Faison arose and made a short prayer of petition, then read a part ot Matt. 28th and the 19th verse of the 5th chap. of St. Mark 1st chap. Acts, 8th chap. 99th verse Romans 1:12. After which Rev A R. Moore led in prayer. Second

selection 626. Then Rev Faison arose and announced for a text Mark 5:19. But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors and brought them forth. The speaker spoke with great force & the words were accompanied by the Holy Spirit. This indeed was a great sermon, one full of thought and inspiration. Our hearts did burn while he preached unto us the Gospel of peace, At the close of this most heart-felt sermon, the choir sung touchingly "I want to be like Jesus in my heart;'. then Rev Hilliard prayed a most fervent prayer.

After singing "all hail the power of Jesus name," the President made some remarks, then asked Mrs Peter Baucom to lift the offering for the sisters which amounted to $14.56. Rev Moore lifted an offering for Rev Faison, which amounted to $11.00. Rev Kersey asked God's blessing on the offering. On motion that we tender a rising vote of thanks to the good people of Deep Creek and community for their royal entertainment since we've been in their midst. Report of various committees; a song was sung and departing hands were taken.

Dismission by Rev J R Faison.

This closes one of the best Conventions in the history of our work. Next Union will be held at White Oak Grove, Morven in Dec.

Mrs A C Robinson, Pres,
" I S A Hilliard, Sec.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

On Officers—We, your committee on officers, beg leave to submit the following report: We think it wise to sustain our previous officers, but recommend that we drop at least six of our board members to lessen the expense of the meeting, in order to have more money for missions. Respectfully committed. Committee

On Obituary—It has pleased Almighty God to call from labor to reward the following loved ones from our midst; Rock Ford E—Bro James Gaddy. White Oak Grove—Sister Isabelle Melton. Nicy Grove—Sister Sally Laney and Miss Enice Hamilton.

Be it resolved that we bow in humble submission to him who doeth all things well. Respectfully your Com.

Time and Place—We your committee on Time and Place, beg leave to make the following report: that our next Union will convene with White Oak Grove Baptist church, Morven, N. C., at whatever time the church will accept. Your Committee.

Executive Board—It was moved and seconded that as sister M F Little could not go to the Lot Cary Convention as previously arranged, that we send sister Robinson (our President), and that we represent with $20.00. It was moved and seconded that we send sister I S A Hilliard as delegate to the W H & F M State Convention, which meets in Winston-Salem, Oct. 1st,2nd 3rd, 1924, and that we represent with $35.00.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Mrs A C Robinson, ---------- Monroe N C
" S L Davis, ---------- " "
" I S A Hilliard ---------- Wadesboro "
" M F Little ---------- " "
" C C Boulware ---------- Monroe "
" Mary Crowder ---------- Wingate "
" Rachel Davis ---------- Polkton "
Miss Ida D Shadd ---------- Monroe "
" Rosa A Caraway ---------- Route 1 Polkton "
" Sarah Gainey ---------- " A, Wadesboro "
Mrs Addie Sowel ---------- " 1, Marshville "
Miss Violene Smith ---------- " 1, Morven "
Mrs Amy Ratliff ---------- Morven "
" E L Hinson ---------- " 1, Peachland "
" Julia Ashcraft ---------- " 6, Monroe "
" Elizabeth Ratliff ---------- " "
" Bessie Sturdivant ---------- " 2, Morven "
Miss Ida Hailey ---------- " 1, Wingate "
Mrs Anna Cash ---------- Peachland "
Miss Cassie B Rorie ---------- " 2, Morven "
Mrs Alice Bradley ---------- " 1, Wadesboro "
" Fay Jones ---------- Monroe "
" Estella M Crowder ---------- Monroe "
" Ellen Ricketts ---------- " A, Wadesboro "
" Annie C Martin ---------- " " "
" Lenora Chavis ---------- " 1, Morven "
" Lydia Caraway ---------- " 1, Polkton "
Miss Mary E Rorie ---------- " 2, Morven "
" Minnie Gatewood ---------- " A, Wadesboro "
" Dora Gatewood ---------- " A, " "
" Rosa A Tillman ---------- " 3, Peachland "
" Ola Tillman ---------- " 3, " "
Mrs Annie B Little ---------- Ruby, S C
" H T Gatewood ---------- " A, Wadesboro "
" N S Reed ---------- " 1, Polkton "
Miss Ollie Curlee ---------- " A, Wadesboro "
" Creola Dargan ---------- " A, " "
Mrs Mary H Miller ---------- " A, " "
" Annie Baucom ---------- " A, " "
" D C Barrett ---------- Ruby, S. C., Route 1
" Mary A Gaddy ---------- Route A, " "
" Cattie Myers ---------- " A, " "
" Teeny Owens ---------- " 2, Morven, "
" G A Baucom ---------- " A, Wadesboro, "
" Eliza Chavis ---------- " 1, Morven "
Eulah M Gainey ---------- " A, Wadesboro "
Master Hardy George Martin ---------- " "
Rev J H Clanton ---------- Raleigh "
Mrs. Siler Covington ---------- Route 1, Ruby, S C

" Kathlene Bennett		Wadesboro	"
Mr G S Bennett	" A,	Wadesboro	"
Mrs Sarah Staton	" 2,	Marshville	"
" S J Gidgram		Morven	"
" Annie Little	" 1,	"	"
Miss Jannie Rorie	" 2,	"	"
Mrs Dora Smith	" 1,	Polkton	"
" Maggie Clinton		Wadesboro	
Miss Martha J Tillman		"	"
Mrs Henrietta Smith	" 1,	Morven	"
" Flora Ayston		"	
Miss Ruth Horne	" 1,	Peachland	"
Mrs Jodie Alsobrooks	" 1,	Peachland	"
" Julia Leak		Morven	"
G W Ashcraft		Wingate	"
Mrs G W Ashcraft		"	

TREASURER'S REPORT

Of the Women's Home and Foreign Mission Union of Union and Anson Co.

Wadesboro, N. C., Sept. 1st, 1924

To the Women's Auxiliary to the Zion Association.
I herewith beg to submit to you my financial report beginning Sept. 1, 1923, and ending Sept. 1, 1924:

Received—Dec. 9,	Friendship Union	$64.46
Mar. 1,	Nicy Grove	72.49
June 2,	Sandy Ridge U.	65.76
Aug. 31,	Deep U. Creek	100.93
		$303.64

Disbursements—Lot Cary Convention		$20.00
	Women's State Con.	35.00
	Foreign Mission	30.00
	Zion Association	30.00
	To ministers	44.06
To Mrs Watson for Bible to use in Africa		11.95
To Western Union Academy for chairs		11.05
Delegates expenses to the L. C. Con.		15.76
Delegates " " Women's State Con.		8.00
Board's " for the year		71.26
Secretary for the year		7.00
To Sexton		2.25
To the sick		1.50
To G W Ashcraft for the Monroe Enterprise		1.00
Total Disbursements	-	$288.83
Bal. in Treasury	14.81	

Respectfully submitted, M. F. Little, Treas.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PRESIDENT	SECRET
Friendship M	Mrs N S Davidson, Morven N C	Mrs Mary Simons
Brown Creek	" Catherine Gatewood, Wadesboro "	Esther Sturdivant
Mt. Zion	" Winsie Crump, Polkton "	Mollie Buchanan
New Grove		
Saron	" Gillie Hailey, Polkton "	Miss Nettie Polk
Elizabeth M	" A C Robinson, Morven "	Mrs J T Gatewood
McLain Grove		
New Zion	" Anna Cash, Peachland "	" Awilda Medley
Nicy Grove	" Mary Crowder, Wingate "	" Allie May Blakney
Elizabeth P D	" J W Diggs, Pee Dee "	" Emma Patrick
Poplar Spring	" Nora Taylor, Polkton "	" Narcissus Davis
Deep Creek	" Julia C Bennett, Peachland "	" Mattie Huntley
Parsons Grove	" H T Gatewood, Wadesboro "	" H J Leak
Long Pine	" D C Barrett, Ruby, S C	" N J Little
Ebenezer, W	" I S A Hilliard, Wadesboro "	" G A Crowder
Rockford, E	" Annie C Martin, " "	Miss Mary V Bennett
Gallilee		
Chilson Grove		
Meltonsville	" Julia Bowman	
Fletcher's Grove		Mrs.
Ramah Grove	" Lenora Chavis, Morven "	" Florence Marshal
White Oak Gr've	" Julia Leak, " "	" Annie Ratliff
Pleasant Hill		" Josephene Bivens
Sandy Ridge	" Josephine Little, " "	" Blanch L Smith
Madison Grove	" G W Baucom, Wadesboro "	" Lilly Gaddy
Poplar Hill	" D E Smith, Polkton "	Miss Dotsie Streater,
Flat Rock	" Ethel Lilly, Wadesboro "	Mrs Alice Bradley
Rockford w	" Ida Sullivan, " "	' Sarah Rorie
Flint Ridge	" Lola Chambers, Marshville "	
W I C Circles		
Friendship M		Miss Bythia Sturdivan
Parsons Grove	" Ethel Curlee, Wadesboro "	
Ebenezer W		
Elizabeth M		' Beatrice Ratliff
White Oak Gr've	Miss Annie B Ratliff, Morven "	' Mariah H Bennett
Rockford E	" Fannie B Caraway, Wadesboro "	' Tinnie E Deese
Nicy Grove	" Sophronia Ashcraft, Wingate "	
Poplar Springs		
Poplar Hill	" Rosa Tillman, Peachland "	
New Grove		
Elizabeth P D		
Mt. Zion		
Rockford w		
Sunshine Bands		
Elizabeth M	" E T Hasty, mother	Master George Martin
Parsons Grove		
New Zion		Miss Janie Hamilton
Rockford E	Mrs Maggie Clinton, Wadesboro "	
Friendship M		
Nicy Grove	Miss Joshlin Maske, Wingate "	
Poplar Springs		Miss Harriet Little
Meltonsville		
Deep Creek		
Ebenezer w	Mrs Elma Ingram, mother "	
Elizebeth P D		
Chilson Grove		
Rockford w		
White Oak	" Amy Ratliff, mother	
Poplar Hill		